## **European Common Toad**

Vertebrate: has bones.

**Amphibian:** dry, bumpy skin, cold blooded.

**Habitat:** damp places in Europe, also NW Africa and Asia.

**Eats:** insects, spiders, slugs and worms. It is a carnivore

(meat eater).



## **Fascinating Facts:**

They protect themselves by puffing up to look bigger and can produce a nasty taste from glands behind their ears.

Their eggs are laid in long strings wrapped around pond plants, not in a clump like frog's eggs. When they have laid their eggs, they leave the pond.

Amphibian means 'two lives'. Their tadpoles breathe in the water with gills. When they are grown up, they leave the pond and breathe with lungs.

